

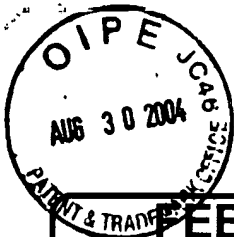
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		Filing Date	October 3, 2003
		First Named Inventor	Jean Thierry Audren
		Art Unit	
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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
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1404	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
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1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
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1809	770	1809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(e))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
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Jean Thierry Audren, et al.

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For: **A VALVE CONTROL DEVICE**

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